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LINCOLN'S BOND ISSUE.

TOMORROW Lincoln district voters for the second time will pass upon the question of bonding the district in the sum of \$650,000, the money to be used for the construction of permanent roads. It is to be hoped that there will be a very large turnout of voters and that every precaution will be taken to prevent a recurrence of the trouble which was the cause of last year's good roads movement ending in a costly fiasco.

It may be assumed that the people of the district understand thoroughly the merits of the proposition that is before them. They have had the better part of a year and a half to consider it. The first attempt at bonding the district went far enough to enable them to see that there were no hidden tricks in the sale of the bonds or in the arrangements to spend the money. All of it would have gone into permanent roads which in one way or another would have been a benefit to every resident of the district.

In a district as large as Lincoln it would require four or five million dollars to put a permanent road in front of every farmer's front yard. Some sections will have to wait, but that does not necessarily mean that they will be without benefits from the roads that are built. Far from it. As a matter of fact good roads are such an important factor in these days that it is almost impossible to waste money in constructing them—assuming, of course, that no downright thievery is indulged in—and it is pretty certain that road building will continue in this county until practically all the roads are of permanent character. In the meantime a start must be made somewhere, and it is both natural and proper that it be upon the roads that carry the most traffic, and on the most important connecting links.

VEGETABLE GROWING.

AFTER running a shop twenty years and making a competency out of it, "Bud" Jenkins, an East side barber, has sold out and is going to live for the remainder of his days on a farm near Colfax, where he will raise fruit and vegetables.

Perhaps it is vegetables and fruit that the successful ex-barber is going to raise. If that is the proper way to put it, and Mr. Jenkins has any talent in that direction, plus the proper amount of sticktoitiveness, and the farm he is going to retire to is worth anything, he will before the end of the second year of his career as a vegetable grower

RUFF STUFF

BY RED.

What good is inauguration day in Fairmont? We have no "beautifully uniformed soldiers to walk the streets."

As Parker said to Bryan:
"You're a helluva guy."

"La Follette shall not speak tonight."

This sign will be posted on the wall of the Jewish temple at Wheeling next Thursday night.

We always doped ivory headed ducks as the worst, but it seems Stone has something on them.

At that La Follette should worry. He's a member of the Senate for six years more and the chances are he'll remain right on the job.

We've begun to believe that the safest place in the world, if one wants to stay out of this war, is in dear old England.

As Parker said to Bryan again:
"If you had gone to heaven three years ago."

We believe Alton B. has the wrong dope, he says: "If Bryan had gone to heaven. Wasn't it about three years ago that Bryan resigned and went to heaven."

Insurance Man: (wearing tortoise

shell glasses and smoking something in a pipe. I am with Senator Stone, I voted for Wilson because he kept us out of war and now as soon as re-elected he tries to get us into war."

Victim: (Listening to the line of dope)—Well, I'll be damned!

Henceforth when the country wants to pull anything too magnanimous for the average can of gray matter, we'll call on the tortoise shells.

Frinstance sometime we might want a man to carry a bucket of water to a dying soldier—will you carry it Scotty?

There are hundreds of Russians in this little old country of ours who insist they are Germans and Poles who will be tickled to death to admit their nationality within 10 days.

By that time it will be St. Patrick's day and the Irish in the navy will start sniping U-boats.

"Zimmerman on the carpet"—exit Zimmerman.

Anybody seen Justice Hughes lately?

At that we believe armed neutrality a joke. Wouldn't it be a good idea to maintain just a few brief years longer that idealistic neutrality of allowing all ships to get sunk?

Where's the Atlantic fleet.

Dog gone if we can find out—so

We must therefore leave it to the Germans to find out—soon.

wonder why he did not "retire" earlier so that he could die richer.

Given a bit of reasonably good soil, ordinary intelligence and the proper amount of industry and we do not know anything that promises to pay greater returns hereabouts than market gardening. The vegetables the people of Fairmont eat, except for a very limited season right in the middle of summer, are grown all over the country. We begin by buying strawberries, new potatoes and onions from Texas while the snow is still flying (new potatoes now in the market, price about \$8 per bushel) and we end with cranberries and celery from Wisconsin when menus for Thanksgiving and Christmas are being prepared. All of this stuff brings high prices, the local retailer who handles it makes little or no profit, when his loss from wastage is taken into consideration, and most of the time it is far from being in prime condition.

The right kind of vegetable farming, plus a little capacity for salesmanship, would take most of that business away from the fellows who now have it and make a fortune for the farmer, while at the same time reducing the cost of living for the Fairmont consumer. Go to it, Mr. Jenkins, and show the fellows who have been farming in Marion county all their lives how it can be done.

STANDARDIZED DRESS.

WE can follow Helen Louise Johnson's argument in favor of standardized clothes for women with rapt interest as long as she talks about the benefits that would result in the needle industries. Logic is all on her side there. But when she ventures into a field where there is no logic—namely, the attitude of womanhood toward dress, we take to the tall timber.

At that we are quite willing to believe that the creation she so eloquently describes looks equally well upon the short and the tall, the slender and the not so slender. We have seen rain coats that would turn that little trick as easily as they turned water. And that is the whole objection, unless our understanding of the feminine philosophy of dress is entirely at fault, to all these plans to standardize dress for women. Most women want something that makes them look charming, but would make any other woman look like a fright. That the result is not infrequently in inverse ratio to the desire is beside the point. "Facts is facts" even in a consideration of feminine raiment.

Helen Louise Johnson is attacking her problem at the wrong end. She objects to the vagaries of fashion because they lead toward great wastefulness and make the lives of the garment workers in the great cities miserable. Before she can hope for any improvement of these conditions she must first standardize women's brains, instincts and desires. Then—oh, very well; maybe this is just as nonsensical as the stuff Helen Louise is advocating.

Angry Wheeling citizens last night denounced Senator La Follette as an enemy of the country. Similar action was taken at many other points, including a large mass meeting at Carnegie Hall in New York. This sort of thing may penetrate the hide of the Ten, but it will merely make the Wisconsin man think he is a martyr.

Berlin dispatches are to the effect that Dr. Zimmermann, secretary of state for foreign affairs, has been hauled before the main committee of the Reichstag and asked to explain the Mexico-Japan negotiations. It always goes hard with a diplomatist who falls.

Alton B. Parker has sent a savage telegram to William J. Bryan denouncing the Nebraska for his part in the disgraceful fiasco on the armed neutrality bill. The Judge had to wait a long time for revenge for the betrayal of 1904.

Fritz Kolb, arrested in Hoboken as the principal conspirator in a plot to blow up munition factories in this country, was gathered in by a chief of police named Patricia Hayes. How did a town like Hoboken happen to have an Irish chief of police?

Mayor Bowen's heart is in the right place when it comes to patriotism. His presentation of small flags to the Boy Scouts proves, too, that he can show the faith that is in him in a way that makes it do a great deal of good.

Wheeling wants to cancel a lecture date which Senator La Follette has in that town. Good idea. It ought to be applied all over the country to Bryan also.

The weather made it uncomfortable for the crowds, but it could not mar the impressive dignity of the inaugural ceremonies at Washington and Charleston.

There are indications this morning that the man who makes the weather is over his rage and is going to give us a few pleasant hours by way of compensation for what we had been getting since Friday.

SHORT AND SNAPPY.

Liberty never killed a town. Every public enterprise ought to receive substantial encouragement. When you give a dollar towards improving the town, you do not throw away your money, but simply make a good investment.—St. Albans Herald.

Most users of machines would like to see Henry Ford start a little co-operative plan on that precious fluid, gasoline.—Philippi Republican.

FAIRVIEW.

William Bowman, James Powell Prof. Boyes, W. E. Michael, James Sutton attended the basketball game at Fairmont Saturday night.

Mrs. Guy Smith, of Fairmont, was visiting his sister, Mrs. James Toothman, Sunday.

J. T. Reeder, who has been quite sick for some time, is better and able to resume his work in the oil field.

Mrs. Mary Austin, of Belmont, Ohio, is visiting friends and relatives here and at Fairmont.

Clyde Snodgrass was a business visitor at Wheeling Saturday.

Mrs. G. R. Miller was at Fairmont shopping Monday.

Gerald Carpenter was a Fairmont visitor Saturday.

Ira Yost was a business visitor at Fairmont Monday.

Miss Millie Hanes was a week-end guest of Mrs. Robert Rynd at Manington.

Miss Evans, Fairmont High school teacher, who has been sick is getting better.

Ward Dragoos has returned to Charleston where is working in the oil field.

L. F. Dragoos is quite sick at his home on High street.

Mrs. Ira Yost will entertain the Needle Craft Sewing Circle at home on Orchard Hill Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. R. D. Hall is holding a series of meetings at St. John's church at Basnetville. Everybody is invited.

The Amazons used one-sided handkerchiefs long before the Aztecs.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

(BY CONDO.)



President Wilson's Inaugural Address

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—The text of President Wilson's inaugural address follows:

"My Fellow-Citizens—The four years that have elapsed since last I stood in this place have been crowded with counsel and action of the most vital interest and consequence. Perhaps no equal period in our history has been so fruitful of important reforms in our economic and industrial life or so full of significant changes in the spirit and purpose of our political action. We have sought very thoughtfully to set our house in order; correct the grosser errors and abuses of our industrial life, liberate and quicken the processes of our national genius and energy and lift our politics to a broader view of the people's essential interests. It is a record of singular variety and singular distinction. But I shall not attempt to review it. It speaks for itself and will be of increasing influence as the years go by. This is not the time to retrospect. It is time, rather, to speak our thoughts and purposes concerning the present and immediate future.

"Although we have centered counsel and action with unusual concentration and success upon the great problems of domestic legislation to which we addressed ourselves four years ago, other matters have more and more forced themselves upon our attention, matters lying outside our own life as a Nation and over which we had no control, but which despite our wish to keep free of them have drawn us more and more irresistibly into their own current and influence.

"It has been impossible to avoid them. They have affected the life of the whole world. They have drawn men everywhere with a passion and an apprehension they never knew before. It has been hard to preserve calm counsel while the thought of our own people swayed this way and that under their influence. We are a composite and cosmopolitan people. We are of the blood of all the nations that are at war. The currents of our thoughts as well as the currents of our trade run quick at all seasons back and forth between us and them. The war inevitably set its mark upon the first alike upon our minds, our industries, our commerce, our politics and our social action. To be indifferent to it or independent of it was out of the question.

"Country Deeply Wronged. "And yet, while we have been conscious that we are not part of it, in that consciousness, despite many divisions, we have drawn closer together. We have been deeply wronged upon the seas, but we have not wished to wrong or injure in return; we have retained through consciousness of standing in some sort apart, intent upon an interest that transcended the immediate issues of the war itself. As some of the injuries done us have become intolerable, we have still been clear that we wished nothing for ourselves that we were not ready to demand for all mankind—fair dealing, justice, the freedom to live and be at ease against organized wrong.

"It is in this spirit and with this thought that we have grown more and more aware, more and more certain that the part we wished to play was the part of those who mean to vindicate and fortify peace. We have been obliged to arm ourselves to make good our claim to a certain minimum of right and of freedom of action. We stand firm in armed neutrality since it seems that in no other way can we demonstrate what it is we insist upon and cannot forego. We may even be drawn on by circumstances, not of our own purpose or desire, to a more active assertion of our rights as we see them and a more immediate association with the great struggle itself. But nothing will alter our thought or our purpose. They are too clear to be obscured. They are too deeply rooted in the principles of our national life to be altered. We desire neither conquest nor advantage. We wish nothing that can be had only at the cost of another people. We have always professed unselfish purpose and we covet the opportunity to prove that our professions are sincere.

of purposes and of action we can stand together.

"And it is imperative that we should stand together. We are being forged into a new unity amidst the fire that now blazes throughout the world. In their ardent heat we shall, in God's providence, let us hope, be purged of faction and division, purified of the errant humors of party and of private interest, and shall stand forth in the days to come with a new dignity of national pride and spirit. Let each man see to it that the dedication is in his own heart, the high purpose of the Nation in his own mind, ruler of his own will and desire.

America Stands United.

"I stand here and have taken the high and solemn oath to which you have been audience because the people of the United States have chosen me for this august delegation of power and have by their gracious judgment named me as their leader in affairs. I realize to the full the responsibility which it involves. I pray God I may be given the wisdom and the prudence to do my duty in the true spirit of this great people. I am their servant and can succeed only as they sustain and guide me by their confidence and their counsel. The thing I shall count upon, the thing without which neither counsel nor action will avail, is the unity of America—an America, united in feeling, in purpose, and in its vision of duty, of opportunity and of service.

A Great Task Ahead.

"We are to be aware of all men who would turn the tasks and the necessities of the nation to their own private profit or use them for the building up of private power; beware that no faction or disloyal intrigue break the harmony or embarrass the spirit of our people; beware that our government be kept pure and incorrupt in all its parts. United alike in the conception of our duty and in the high resolve to perform it in the face of all men, let us dedicate ourselves to the great task to which we must now set our hand. For myself I beg your tolerance, your countenance and your united aid. The shadows that now lie dark upon our path will soon be dispelled and we shall walk with the light all about us if we but be true to ourselves to ourselves as we have wished to be known in the councils of the world and in the thought of all those who love liberty and justice and the right exalted."

LAUREL POINT.

T. L. Brand, who had his collar bone broken two weeks ago, went to Morgantown February 25 for treatment.

Ralph Hess went to Clarksburg one day last week on business.

Mrs. Ruth Newbrugh is with relatives in Morgantown.

Mrs. Lou Brand is at the home of Josiah Mercer in Westover confined to her bed with measles. Her two daughters, Gail and Grace, who have been attending school at Morgantown, have both had measles recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gidley have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Gidley's parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Mercer, for a few days.

Josephus Jones one of our fruit growers, has examined the peach buds and reports the crop will be a failure.

The boys with their violins, guitars and mandolins met at J. E. Henry's store last Saturday night and rendered some excellent selections.

Mrs. Lucy Jones and son, Chester, are still in Connellsville where she took her son for treatment for an injured eye. The sight of the eye is lost.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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Bowling Averages
The bowling averages for all who have taken part in the eighteen-week bowling league that has just ended are as follows:

	Games	Pins	Per.
H. Fleming	64	7357	136
C. McDonnell	51	6877	136
Schultz	54	7190	134
J. Mike	43	5444	127
Wolfe	35	11847	125
R. Shaver	24	2993	125
Burton	48	5888	124
Fortney	54	6640	123
L. Satterfield	54	6643	123
Fletcher	15	1883	123
P. Spragg	48	5899	123
C. Toothman	3	364	121
M. Mike	13	2181	121
H. Spragg	54	6483	120
Pellegrini	54	6484	120
W. Fleming	54	6481	120
Myers	54	6469	120
Santee	51	5973	117
C. Satterfield	45	5206	116
Olivato	27	3039	114
Currey	33	3744	113
Calhoun	51	5750	113
W. Shaver	51	5826	110
Kidder	26	3849	107
Talbott	38	3749	104

Rev. Mr. Webb Preached

Despite the disagreeable weather, a large crowd turned out last evening to hear Rev. R. T. Webb, of Fairmont, who spoke at the M. E. church. Rev. Mr. Webb used as his theme "What God Has Joined Together, Let No Man Put Asunder."

Lost Chickens

Several stray dogs made their way into the chicken coop belonging to Lee James yesterday afternoon and in a few minutes succeeded in killing eighteen large Rhode Island Red hens. Investigation will be made as to the owner of the dogs, who, if found, will be compelled to pay the damage.

PERSONALS

George S. Hall was among the social visitors to Fairmont yesterday afternoon.

Miss Nell Ice spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Watson, W. Va.

Oliver Glover was in Fairmont yesterday afternoon visiting relatives. Clyde Toothman and M. Silverman were in Fairmont yesterday afternoon attending to business.

Mrs. Mike McDonnell has been very ill for the past several days.

Miss Besse Hess, of Lumberport, was in Monongah during the week visiting her sister, Miss Hazel Hess, of Brookdale.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE

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